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FARMERS DID FINE PRODUCTION JOB IN YEAR

Dominion, Alberta Farm Bodies Meet January

PRODUCTION IS UP **40 PER CENT SINCE** WAR'S BEGINNING

This Despite 400,000 Young Men and 100,000 Young Women Withdrawn From Farms

IMPRESSIVE ACHIEVEMENT

Farm Machine Position Likely to Be Somewhat Better in 1945, Predicted

By M. McDOUGALL (Special to The Western Farm Leader)

OTTAWA, Jan. 3rd.—Any survey that could be made of Canadian economic life in the year 1944 would have to include an account of the extremely creditable job that has been done by the farm industry in the face of continuing handicaps.

In most sections of the Dominion nature was a little kinder than in 1943, but the labor situation on the whole hasn't become any easier. The machine position was perhaps slightly improved and the outlook for 1945 may be still a little better as the machiner quota has been tasised. There will be more new machines available to the extent that these machines are already made, but with the present war situation there is—always the probability that the malleable casting and sheet steel handicap may press down as heavily as ever.

As to labor itself, the New Year will doubtless have the same exchange of farmers from West to East and East to West in the appropriate seasons to help out, and students will give their help on the farms. There will, however, be fewer troops to lend a helping hand on the farms.

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Since the war began, agriculture has lost 400,000 young men and 100,000 young women to the armed forces and war industry, and yet in spite of this, production has increased 40 per cent. The major credit for this must go to the older men and women who have carried the burden in the country's hour of need.

Taking the country as a whole, the most impressive achievement has been in the production of livestock. Hog marketings during the years 1936 to 1940 averaged 4,038,000 head, while this had risen to about 9,000,000 in 1944. The figure for cattle, showing an average in five years to 1940 of 1,000,000, was 1,320,000 in 1944, an increase of 32 per cent. The corresponding figures for sheep and lambs were 777,000 and 1,100,000, an increase of 42 per cent. Egg production rose from 237 million dozen, a gain of 58 per cent, while cheese exports rose by 43 per cent.

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291 million pounds of bacon. The
figure in 1941 had risen to 425 million,
in 1942 to 600 million and in 1943 to
675 million. In 1944 the amount will
be about 700 million with, in addition,
15 million pounds of pork offals,

Will Preside Over C.F.A. Convention



President and Vice-Presidents of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture which will meet in Regina this month, are shown above. They will take the chair from time to time during the four days' sessions. Left to right, H. H. Hannam, Ottawa, President and Managing-Director; W. J. Parker, Winnipeg, First Vice-President; J. A. Marion, Montreal, Second Vice-President.

Good Planning Factor in Small Losses at Sea

LONDON .- The loss of 2,978 LONDON.—The loss of 2,978 lives by enemy action in the course of 10,600,000 movements of British army personnel by sea, or .0028 per cent, was an achievement due not only to the safeguards maintained by the Royal Navy, but to good planning work carried out by "Q" movements at the War Office.

30 million pounds of canned pork, 900,000 bundles of hog casings and 20 million pounds of lard. For 1945, the expectation is that the production of hogs will equal 1944, with an increase of 8 per cent in cattle, 10 per cent in calves and 3 per cent in sheep and lambs and lambs.

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In connection with bacon sales, it is stated that the quality of exports has kept up well, an important contributory factor being the bonus of \$3 for Grade A and \$2 for Grade B. It is assumed in the Department that once Denmark is released from German occupation it will not be long before that ountry will again be in the export bacon business. There is no telling, however, how far that may be in the future. Assurance of continuity of supply as well as the maintenace of quality will be important considerations for post-war trade. This country, it is stated, is shipping only top quality beef to Britain. At the same time, too high a proportion of plain and boner cattle, is being received in some domestic markets. A case in point is the Toronto market. There are complaints that there has been a falling off in the finishing of cattle in 1944. Better finishing would mean readier markets and better prices. In the year 1944 shipments of beef to Britain reached a total of 116,000,000 pounds. The agreement (Continued on page 5)

Calgary Sitting January 22nd, 23rd

The Royal Commission on the subject of co-operative enterprise and taxation will hold sessions in Calgary on January 22nd and 23rd.

Outyields Old Varieties

A new variety of wheat has been developed in Britain that outyields the old varieties by 50 per cent, particularly in wet seasons.

The 1944 production of meats was the greatest on record in Canada, with a total of more than 2,500,000,000

Co-operators Find Russia Is Organized for War **Hundred Per Cent**

MANCHESTER, Eng.—"Russia is a land which has organized its labor and production one hundred per cent for the war effort," declared R. A. Palmer, one of the party of five British co-operative leaders who recently made a three-weeks' tour of wartime Russia. Women, he said, were making an even greater contribution than in Britain. They not only work in factories and on the farms and railways, but also in mines, and fight alongside men, in the army.

Flew Over Stalingrad

The party twice flew over Stalingrad, and also visited stricken Leningrad, and also visited stricken Leningrad. The sight of the great-devastated areas of Russia impressed them with the enormous sacrifice the U.S. S.R. had made in the struggle of the United Nations. They were made conscious, said Mr. Palmer, of the determination of Russians to make Germany pay dearly for aggression. Russia's co-operative movement, they found, was performing great work in supplying the entire distributive service of rural areas.

The people of Great Britain now

The people of Great Britain now spend only 54 per cent of their incomes, taxation and savings taking the rest.

C.F.A., ALSO DAIRY **FARMERS TO MEET** CITY OF REGINA

U.F.A. Convention To Be Held Same Week for Four Days in Edmonton

IMPORTANT SESSIONS

During Following Week A.F.U. Will Hold Convention in Edmonton

Important National and Provincial Farm Conventions will be held in Canada during the latter part of

Canada during the latter part of January.

From January 17th to 20th, inclusive, the Canadian Federation of Agriculture will convene in annual sessions in the Hotel Saskatchewan Regina. Consisting of 17 member bodies which in turn have a total individual membership of almost 350,000 farmers stretched across the Dominion from coast to coast, and embracing practically all branches of organized agriculture, the Federation is now recognized as the voice of Canadian agriculture.

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Overlapping the C.F.A. Convention will be the Annual Convention of the Dairy Farmers of Canada, also a nation-wide farmers' organization. This Convention too will be held in Regina. These two great national farm bodies have the closest and most harmonious kind of relationships one with another. They will be able to confer at Regina on common problems. The Alberta Federation of Agriculture has suggested that the Dairy Farmers of Canada should be asked to unite with the C.F.A. as a member unit. This subject will come up for discussion.

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In Edmonton the United Farmers of Alberta will hold a Convention lasting four days, from January 16th to 19th, inclusive. This will be the 36th Annual Convention of the Association which has played a very great role in the development of the farm movement in Alberta and in Canada, from the early days of settlement in the West, and took a major share in the launching of the farmers' great commercial enterprises, from the time of the organization of the original companies that were amalgamated as the

the organization of the original companies that were amalgamated as the United Grain Growers, to the later years when the Alberta Wheat Pool was created, and so on down the line. In the week following the Convention of the United Farmers of Alberta, the Annual Convention of the Alberta Farmers' Union will be held in the Masonic Temple, Edmonto the lates being January 23rd, 24th and 25th. Prominent speakers, one from a Canadian University and one from the National Grange, U.S.A., are expected, it is announced, to address the Convention:

The increasingly important role

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(Continued on page 12)



Central Alberta Dairy Pool Section

"Today it is the march of the co-operatives in Western Canada that is lending new meaning to the old phrase, 'The prairies are on fire'."—Norman M. Macleod, in Toronto Star.



Vice-President of Pool Sends New Year's Message

Nevis, Alberta, January 3, 1945.

Dear Fellow Members:

the fate which has threatened the whole world.

For throughout the whole land year, thus laying a foundation for the many hearts and homes are saddened by the vacant chair or lonely for loved ones far away in distant lands; but we at the same time have much to be thankful for, as we know that right will prevail, and some day in the not too far distant future, Peace will again return to the earth.

The whole world.

year, thus laying a foundation for the peace and Good Will which would be su severy one."

Wishing you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year, Yours sincerely,

GEO. E. MORRISON,

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The Coming Year

But what about the New Year?
Have we made our plans and resolutions? I am sure we have, and we will enter the New Year strong in faith and hope, determined to do our part in any way, that through our influence this old world will be a better place in which to live. The spirit of universal kindliness which prevails at this Christmas time should be the coming and Asia.

GEO. E. MORRISON,

Vice-President.

Farmer co-operatives in the U.S. have furnished about one-third of the supplies sent abroad under Lend-Lease, announces Lincoln Clark, consultant, or co-operatives for UNRRA. He influence this old world will be a better place in which to live. The spirit agodly share of the food which will be required by UNRRA to feed the hungry in liberated countries in Europe carried with us through the coming



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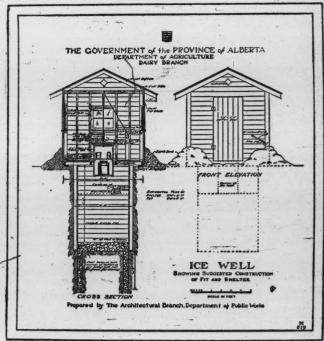
More Number One Quality Butter for 1945 . . .

Alberta Government statistics indicate that the per-Christmas has come and gone and the New Year has centage of Special Grade cream produced in recent years just commenced. The joyous spirit that should prevail is is lower than it should be. Officials responsible for better dampened by world strife, and it is really a spirit of solemn production programmes tell us that if more farms had Ice thanksgiving for our escape through great tribulation, from Houses or Ice Wells and USED them, the average quality cream would be improved.

In our last issue, we gave you particulars of an Ice House, and we have had one article on an Ice Well. At this time we would like to give you information in greater detail of another plan for an Ice Well.

In this instance we are indebted to the Previncial Department of Agriculture, Dairy Branch, and its Commissioner, Mr. D. H. Mc-Callum. We are sure that this article will be of practical interest to all our members and we hope that there will be many hundreds of Ice Wells and Ice Houses in use this year. Now is the time to provide this very useful means of keeping cream cool and sweet.

The arcitle follows below the illustration:



Quality Lowered

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During the past few years the average quality of cream produced in Alberta has been lowered considerably. During 1939, 68.1 per cent of the total cream receipts at Alberta creameries qualified as Special Grade. This percentage had dropped to 52.4 per cent during the first eight months of 1944. This drop in quality has been due to various factors such as shortages of farm labor resulting in less care and attention at the farm, infrecare and attention at the farm, infrequent deliveries to the creamery, scarcity of farm dairy equipment and the producers' satisfaction with the price for grades lower than Special.

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There are two main causes affecting this drop in quality. Firstly, improperly cleaned and sterilized utensils, and secondly, the lack of prompt and efficient cooling. Utensils, unless they are properly cleaned and sterilized, are laden with undesirable bacteria. These bacteria, when they gain access to the cream, grow and multiply rapidly causing fermentations and objectionable flavors which lower the quality of the cream. All utensils

such as milk pails, strainers, strainer cloths, separator parts, cream cans, etc., must be washed clean and sterilized by heat or chemical methods after each milking.

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Always Some Bacteria

In spite of all the precautions that a cream producer, may take in the production of cream, there are always some bacteria that gain access to the cream. Unless the cream is cooled promptly after separating and kept cool until delivery to the creamery, these bacteria will multiply rapidly. The quickest and most efficient method of removing body heat from the cream is to cool it in cold water. It is found that water will cool twenty-one times faster than air at the same temperature. After the cream has been thoroughly cooled it may be added to the cream from the previous milkings. Mixing warm and cold cream causes more rapid deterioration of the cream by increasing the rate of growth of bacteria and also by activating the ensymes present in the butterfat causing bitter or rancial cream.

Thousands of dollars have been lest

CENTRAL ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION

annually by Alberta Cream Producers because of the lack of some efficient and economical means of keeping the cream sweet and cool until it is delivered to the creamery. This is particularly true of producers with small herds who feel that the expense of providing adequate cooling facilities is out of proportion to the income from that source.

The Wells Keep Cream Cold

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Ice Wells Keep Cream Cold

Many farmers have constructed ice wells on their farms which have served as an excellent means of holding cream at low temperatures during the hot summer months. They have found that an ice well will keep cream thoroughly chilled, that it is very convenient, and that it is economical to build and operate. Ice can be stored during the winter months with a minimum of labor and expense.

In constructing an ice well the fists consideration is the choice of the site. Since it is in constant use from spring until fall it-must be in a convenient place with clean surroundings. It should not be placed too near a barnyard or any place where foul odors could be absorbed by the cream. The site should be where there is good drainage for the melted ice and where surface water cannot seep into the well and contaminate it as well as melt the ice.

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The accompanying picture shows the details of an ice well with a shelter building. While the size is given as 6 ft. x 6 ft. x 8 ft., this may vary as to the need of the producer. The smaller the top surface with greater depth of ice, the more efficient the well. If ice is required for other purposes, or the quantity of cream produced be large, then it would be advisable to increase the depth of the well to 11 or 12 feet. To keep the walls from caving in and dirt from falling into the well, a cribbing of rough lumber should be used. A cement collar around the top of the well also keeps the dirt from falling in and serves as a footing for the building over it.

The building need not be of elaborate construction, as it is only needed to give shelter from the weather. A double removable floor of inch lumber with several thicknesses of moisture proof paper between gives sufficient insulation. A trap door or lid gives access to the ice. Earth should be banked around the building to give protection to the surface of the well. The building should be well ventilated and be fitted with windows that may be taken out during the winter to facilitate freezing.

To give proper drainage, the bottom of the well should be covered with one foot of coarse gravel or loose stones. If the bottom of the well is of hard pan or heavy clay, a hole should be bored at each corner of the well to the full depth of the post hole auger. These holes should also be filled with melt rapidly.

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Ice may be stored by filling the well with block ice, making sure that it has been frozen from clean water. All spaces between the blocks must be filled with snow or chipped ice. Another satisfactory method is by freezing water, a little at a time, forming a solid block of ice. The well should not be too distant from the source of water, to cut down the labor in filling the well. A third method is to put in alternate lavers of water and



Small Swellings if Warbles Present

Undertake Control by Treating Swellings on Cattle **During Winter**

Damage from warble flies continues to cause losses to Western farmers that run into millions of dollars annually. Treatment of cattle for control of this pest is becoming increasingly widespread, however, many stockmen now carrying on control measures as standard practise in their operations.

Small Swellings Become Evident

As mid-winter approaches, small swellings become evident on the backs of affected cattle. These indicate the presence of warbles under the hide, and steps should be taken to be ready

and steps should be taken to be ready to destroy them as soon as punctures begin to appear in the lumps. Otherwise the warbles will mature, force their way out, to become a new generation of destructive warble flies.

Warble flies, or "heel" flies as they are sometimes called, are easily identified by their characteristic orange-yellow or reddish-orange tail coloring. Their ravages are even more apparent in restlessness among the cattle, decline in milk production, dry cows, and finally in damaged hides. If cattle are seen galloping madly around their pastures in summer, for no good reason, it can be taken for granted that warble flies are around.

Control in Winter

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The method of control is to treat
the warble swellings on the cattle
during the winter, with a solution
which penetrates the breathing holes
and kills the warble-fly grubs, but is
non-poisonous to animals. Preparations containing rotenone (derris root)
as their active agent have been found
most effective. Treatment should be
repeated at intervals of from three
to four weeks, until new swellings
cease to appear.

snow allowing it to freeze. The snow must be thoroughly saturated with water, otherwise crusts of ice are formed between the layers of snow, making a porous block of ice. Ice should be brought to within two feet of the surface which will allow sufficient space for cream cans, etc.

It will be found convenient to construct the shelter with a windlass for raising and lowering heavy cans. A "dumb-waiter" shelf and windlass will prove itself very valuable.

Ice wells will become contaminated and the atmosphere musty unless care is taken to keep the well clean at all times. Anything that is spilled should be cleaned up immediately. Foods such as fish, fruits, vegetables, etc., which give off odors should not be stored in an ice well with cream and milk, as these products will readily absorb undesirable odors. Under no consideration should ice, be covered with straw to keep the ice readily absorb undesirable odors. Under no consideration should ice, be covered with straw to keep the ice from melting too rapidly, as it soon becomes damp and musty. A sheet metal tray with flange could be placed on the bottom of the dumb waiter to collect any spillage which would cause disagreeable odors.

ISSUES WARNING

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Warning to farmers not to dispose of old tractors or other rationed farm to put in alternate lavers of water and to buy new equipment in the spring, was issued recently by H. H. Bloom, first year, Golden yellow fruits, size of cherries, unexcelled for pies and preserves, also pleasant to eat from the hand as you do strawberries.

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State Must Intervene

The state must continue to intervene to control marketing of farm products, R. J. Scott, president of the United Farmers' Co-operative, told the annual meeting in Toronto last week.

"British Restaurants" inaugurated during the war to serve meals at popular prices to war workers, may be continued after the war. At present 622,000 people are fed daily at an average cost of 26 cents for a three-course meal.

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other varieties. Proved a sensation on the
Prairies in 1943 and 1944, including such
districts as Lethbridge and Brooks, Alta.;
Indian Head and Swift Current, Sask.;
Brandon and Morden, Man. Around Calgary,
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IN CHASTENED MOOD

For the Allied forces the year 1944 was a year of great achievement; but it ended not in the final victory in Europe that had been hopefully predicted in many quarters, but in disappointment.

Excessive optimism, and the courses of action which excessive optimism so readily encourages, actually tended to bring about the prolongation of the war. This was true on the home front, and even the battle front of the Allies did not entirely

escape the general tendency.
So we enter the year 1945 in chastened mood. We have come to see that, to adapt words from a song sung by the soldiers of the last and to some extent by those of this war, there's a long long trail still a-winding to the victory of our dreams. And in the degree in which we may at last cease to under-rate the powers of resistance of the enemy, in the degree in which on the home front we may acquire a new-singleness of purpose, we can be sure that we shall tend now to bring nearer the end of the struggle.

BATTLE AND OTHER HONORS

The battle honors conferred upon Canadians in the services in recent weeks, including the large number announced in the New Year's Honors list, must have brought to all who heard the citations over the air or read them in the press a sense of the most gallant role played by our forces in the zones of Albertans are naturally most interested in their own lads, and what we have learned about many of them has brought a new exaltation of spirit during these opening days of 1945. Alberta farm boys in great numbers; village and town and city boys, have by their example brought honor to their communities. And those who have won-decorations or mentions in despatches are of course just a few of the many who, often under conditions of great danger and almost unimaginable hardship and discomfort, are fighting our battles.

There are awards, too, for men and women in the services who have distinguished themselves in devotion to duty, though they may not have been called to face the perils of battle. These too, are deserving of our praise, and their achievement adds to our sense of pride in the name "Canadian".

DO WE WANT A WAR-TIME ELECTION?

In a resolution adopted by the High River U.F. W.A. Conference, and submitted for consideration at the Annual Convention of the U.F.A. this month, it is urged that there shall be no more elections until after the war.

We willingly admit that there is a case against the postponement of elections; but our own judg-ment is that in the Dominion field there should be no GENERAL election until the collapse of German resistance in the field. By-elections, we think, should be held to fill vacancies.

There is, it seems to us, a real danger that an election in this sixth year of the war, upon war-time issues, might both impair the efficiency of the war effort and provide us with a Parliament quite illfitted to deal with the problems that Peace will bring. Actually, since the question of conscription for overseas service has been satisfactorily answered, there is no major war-time issue.

During the last war, we ourselves voted overseas in 1917 upon a war-time issue—and when reinforcements were needed there was only one way in which our vote could be cast. But one effect of our vote

TRANSPLANTED

Now to the eastward grim forbidding peaks Have shut away the snow-clad sun-swept plains. No sparkling winter this grey land bespeaks With misted streets and holly-bordered lanes. Horizons are no longer far and clear; The noon-day sky presents no high blue dome; The ocean's surging song I cannot hear From this paved hill-side where now stands my home.

I loved Alberta, and I dared to deem My love returned, so, as I walk alone, Of wistful thoughts Alberta is my theme. But this I know, and long long since have known-Contentment grows from circumstance apart, If but its seed be nourished in the heart.

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON

was to help to place in office for several years a Government which, it seemed to us after our return to Canada, was quite out of touch with the need for bold and progressive action in the field of post-war social construction. That soon became apparent to the farmers on the prairies, as well as to

urban producers.

Our humble judgment is that the next general election should be held after Germany is broken but before the peace terms are finally settled. It should be held at a time when the public mind can concentrate (free from distraction) upon the tasks of building a world organization designed to make future aggression impossible, and (on the home front) of laying sound foundations for future national wall being. The conventions of the conventio tional well-being. The cornerstone of that well-being will be a Canadian agriculture assured of equality with other productive groups. Such a corperstone can be laid firmly only in a Canada increasingly co-operative in all major aspects of its economic life.

Calm and unbiassed consideration by Canadian voters, of these international and domestic issues, would not be even remotely possible in an election campaign carried on while our forces overseas are everywhere in deadly combat with the enemy.

IN POST-WAR REBUILDING

Under the title "Co-operative Organizations and Post-War Relief", the International Labor Office (established by the League of Nations and now transferred to Montreal) has issued a book of 174 pages that deals with many important aspects of the Co-operative Movement throughout the world. The I.L.O. is of the opinion that "utilization of co-operative organizations" (in post-war relief) would not lead to a dead end (as would be the case with relief agencies set up for this particular purpose), "but would prepare the way, through the development of capacities for self-help and mutual aid among their members and through the opportunities for gaining business and administrative experience, to the co-operative solution of the more complex social and economic problems of rehabilitation and reconstruction." The book may be obtained, price \$1, from "The I.L.O., 3480 University Street, Montreal."

"If the idea is every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost, the devil in no time at all works right up to the front of the line."—Stuart Chase in New York Nation.

A "Quick Picture" of Our Co-op Movement

Co-operative telephone societies head the list of Canadian co-operatives, numerically speaking, according to a survey published recently by the Dominion Department of Agriculture, based on reports for the fiscal year 1942-43. There were 2,387 of these telephone societies; 1,780 credit unions; 400 farmers' mutual insurance co-ops; 446 dairy co-operatives; 518 dealing in food products; 500 in petroleum and auto accessories; 625 in feed and fertilizer; 413 in coal, wood and building materials; 229 in clothing and home furnishings; 225 in livestock; 161 in fruits and vegetables; 105 in grain and seed; 194 in poultry; 125 in machinery; 67 in fishermen's supplies; 60 in hopsital care; 535 in miscellaneous merchandising; 6 in honey; and 14 in miscellaneous marketing.

Canadian field crops in 1944 have been valued at \$1,319,099,000, almost three times as great as the figure for 1932, the lowest level reached during the depression years.

Convicted of manslaughter in connection with the shooting, last May, of a man trying to escape after arrest for evading call-up notices, two R.C. M.P. constables were sentenced to jail terns of 9 and 12 months, in a Quebec court recently.

OTTAWA LETTER (Continued on page 1) Britain was for the export of with Britain was for the export of 100,000,000 pounds in the two years 1944 and 1945. In 1945 the sale is expected to exceed the 1944 export. The figures given for 1944 are naturally in all cases subject to a slight change one way or the other as final records are not yet available.

Still Look to West For Feed

There has been an improvement in 1944 in the grain crops in Eastern Canada, but in spite of this it will still be necessary to look to the West for substantial quantities of feed grain for Eastern livestock farms. Since the free freight policy came into effect in October, 1941, about 226 million bushels of grain and two million tons of screenings and mill feeds have been shipped from the Prairie Provinces to the East or to British Columbia, the freight charge of these shipments, amounting to \$40,000,000, being paid by the Government.

There is still a steadily expanding demand for dairy products. Even with the greatest efforts being made to increase production, demand appears to be always a jump or two ahead of supplies. With the increasing knowledge of the high nutritive values of dairy products, it becomes all the more necessary to keep cheese shipments to the British market on a high level.

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In addition to the shipments of egg powder to Britain, by the end of April the British Food Ministry will have taken 600,000 cases (30 dozen each) of shell eggs. This will be repeated in the coming fall. If the quality of the eggs shipped is maintained, there will be all the better chance of holding some part of the market when the countries from which the British imported most of their eggs in pre-war days are again in the export market.

Western turkeys in greater quantity than ever before have been served at Eastern tables during the holding season. Druing December, 350 cars filled with turkeys (each car holding a minimum of 30,000 pounds) came to Eastern markets from the West. Whether it is the Western grain that gives the turkeys their firm, fine flesh, or whatever may be the cause there is no disputing the excellence of the Western product.

A "Cinema" or moving picture theatre is being run successfully by an English co-operative society.

Sugar quotas for industrial users, public caterers and hotels are reduced in the first quarter of 1945 from 80 to 70 per cent of their 1941 consumption.

Contribution to War Effort of Canadian Railways Dealt With

Canadian railways during 1944 continued efficiently to maintain the tremendous effort which abnormal wartime necessities placed upon them, states D. C. Coleman, chairman and president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, in a recent survey. In view of shortages of materials, equipment and labor, declares Mr. Coleman, the contribution of the railways to the national war effort has been second to that of no other industry.

This, he points out, is quite apart from the more direct contribution of war materials, such as the tanks, naval guns, marine engines and other equip-

guns, marine engines and other equip-ment that have been "pouring out of Canadian Pacific shops since the war

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Mr. Coleman expresses the conviction that the period following the close of the European war need not be followed by such a marked depression as occurred after the last Great War. The war in the Pacific will call for a continued, though lessened, production of war material. The accumulation of civilian requirements will present a task which will take a considerable time for peace-time industry to accomplish.
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Mr. Coleman also urges the need for international agreements for sale of Canadian farm and factory products, to replace the war materials that have swollen the country's export trade.

The problems of readjustment by the railways, Mr. Coleman anticipates, will not be less exacting than those of wartime. The Canadian Pacific, he states, have for some time had a special committee at work formulating plans for this period. Surveys and preparations for maintenance projects, improvements, construction, etc., are being made.

being made.

It is the company's expectation that the costs of these projects can be met.

the costs of these projects can be met out of reserves, earning, and, where necessary, judicious financing, states Mr. Coleman. Economic conditions, costs of material and labor, and regulatory controls, will be important factors, however.

The railways will look to the government for equitable regulation of other transportation agencies to prevent unfair competition. Mr. Coleman believes, also, that the increased costs to the railways for labor (amounting, in the case of the C.P.R. to \$15,000,000 from Sept. 1st, 1943 to Dec. 31st, 1944), create "a stiff hurdle in the road to profitable railway operation."

Making Good Progress

We are happy to be able to report that Norman F. Priestley, who underwent an operation in Edmonton more than three weeks ago, is now making steady progress towards recovery. It is anticipated that he will soon be able to leave hospital. George E. Church, who also has been in hospital recently, has been able to attend to business affairs for more than a week, and is now feeling well again.

Move to Vancouver

Our readers will correctly infer, on reading her sonnet on the editorial page of this issue, that Mrs. Isa Grindlay Jackson is now living on the Pacific coast. Her husband and she moved to Vancouver recently from Edmonton, in the interest of Mr. Jackson's health.

FIRMS INDICTED

Two firms and four men were indicted by special grand jury, in New York recently, on charges of conspiracy to slow down production of Norden bombsights.

During the war, one house in three in the whole of Britain has been damaged, one in thirty destroyed or made uninhabitable.

New Pear Greetings

1945

from the

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Veterinary Questions and Answers

By S. H. McCLELLAND, V.S. Veterinary questions submitted by paid-up subscribers are answered free in this section by our graduate veterinarian, but not by mail.

Trouble With Cows and Heifers J.D.P., Talbot.—I have had considerable trouble with the cows and heifers. Many of them came in season five and six months after breeding. Cows have been on good breeding. Cows have been on good pasture and appear in a good healthy

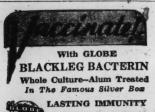
have your herd examined by a veterinarian.

Slobbering S.J., Irricana .- We have a cow that she is kept in the barn. She has been doing this for two years. What remedy would you advise to soop this

condition?

Ans.—The most common cause of slobbering or drooling is a poor tooth and we would advise that you have your veterinarian examine this cow's teeth.

The original society of Rochdale Pioneers had grown in 1940 to a membership of 30,257 in the city of Rochdale, with annual gross sales totalling \$741,519, and patronage dividends \$37,675 a year.



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Permits are still needed to slaughter the consumer. cattle, calves, sheep or lambs, state have been too high, the profits W.P.T.B. officials, explaining that the common and there have been affected hogs only.

SOUTHERN ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION Restrictive Policy



A Message for the New Year

pasture and appear in a good healthy condition.

Ans.—There are several causes that might be responsible for this condition in your cows, such as Bang's disease (contagious abortion), diseases of the ovaries or uterus. Sometimes mineral deficiencies will be the cause. Then there are times when the bull is to be considered. I would advise that you have your herd examined by a The year 1944 is past and has become history. Whether it was a year of progress, of good will, of joy and happiness or one of stagnation, disappointments and sorrows, depended on the efforts and energy you were willing to contribute for the betterment of this world of ours.

Fight For Freedom

shown progress in the fight for ence between price received and freedom and liberation, though that paid is staggering. the cost has been great. Many sacrifices have been made and much sorrow has been endured, but the objective to be attained has always been the guiding star. The success attained for the year can be attributed to the wholehearted co-operative efforts of the Allies.

Co-operative Progress

1944 has been a year of progress in the co-operative organizations of producers. Though many milestones must yet be passed, the past year has been one of increased support of the ideals of co-operation as many realize that the only way to achieve the goal desired is the willingness of each and all to unite their energies in their endeavors to attain what is rightfully

Perhaps the need for co-operatives of producers has been due most of all to the selfishness and greed of those who provide the services required to process, transport and distribute products to Often the costs

so that when the product finally We are thankful that 1944 has reaches the consumer the differ-

that paid is staggering.

Unity of Effort Essential

We must individually realise that
only by unity in effort can all advantages and savings be retained to the
individual. The co-operative of the
future must prepare the product so
that in its finished state it will be
ready for the consumer.

Our problems have been many in
the past and the solution of them
has been our success. Wartime conditions have curtailed expansion; markets have been laid on door step and
prices set. Production has attained
a level that a few years ago seemed
impossible, with a large reduction
in man-power.

In the post-war period to follow
we will once again be at the mercy

In the post-war period to follow we will once again be at the mercy of those who provide services and our increased production will butt up against a wall of decreased and wide-open competitive markets of the world.

world.

If we wish to avoid complete demoralization of prices we must now consolidate our organizations, eliminate unnecessary costs and services, and be prepared to accept goods and services in return for our production. Facilities, that provide for the transfer of raw production to the finished article of the consumer's table, must be directed by efficient, wasteless management, to attain the full fruits of your labor.

ir labor. bulwark of our defenses, the strength of our offensive is in the unity and consolidation of our co-operative organization.

Another Successful Year

It is a pleasure to report another successful year for the Southern Alberta Dairy Pool, not only in production and savings accrued, but in the loyalty of old and many new members to their organization.

Mention too must be made and thanks given to the efficiency and loyalty of management and staff without which no organization can be successful.

May God's choicest blessings and a victorious 1945 be yours, is the sincere wish extended to you on behalf of management, staff and Board of Directors.

Directors.

J. H. RHODES, Secretary of the Board.

The output of hog products in Argentina reached a new high level in 1944.

Livestock Conditions Denmark Today

Prospects of poor grazing conditions and short fodder supply have resulted in larger livestock marketings in Denmark during the past summer and autumn than in the same months in 1943. Sows are reported to total in 1943. Sows are reported to total 195,000, as compared with 372,000 in 1939.

or Expansion World Trade in Foodstuffs?

U.G.G. Board Discusses Washington Wheat Agreement— Would Welcome Basic Price

Discussing the meeting of the Council set up under the Washington Wheat Agreement, attended by representatives of Canada, the United States, Great Britain, Australia and Argentina, the Annual Report presented recently by the President, R. S. Law, in behalf of the Board of Directors of the United Grain Growers, stated in part: in part:

Room for Doubt

"There has been room for doubt as to whether or not the Washington as to whether or not the Washington Wheat Agreement, based largely as it was on the theory of adjusting wheat production to a restricted world demand, and only to come into effect after the war, would be found of permanent value. It is to be hoped that the larger conceptions of permitting an expansion in world trade and particularly in international trade in food-stuffs, will develop so as to make unnecessary restrictions contemplated in

will develop so as to make unnecessary restrictions contemplated in the Washington Wheat Agreement. "Argentina, although one of the signatories to that agreement, has for some time seemed to be out of sympathy with the United Nations, and that fact has created further doubts in that respect. However, the Council was called together in an attempt to establish an agreed wheat price basis which will be applicable when the bulk of international wheat transactions are again on a commercial basis instead are again on a commercial basis instead of as at present based on programs of mutual aid between the allied countries. A satisfactory basic price, if one can be agreed on, will have great import-ance to western farmers.

Not Isolated Problem

"With the lapse of time since the Washington Wheat Agreement was signed in 1942, it can be more clearly seen that one of the basic defects associated with it was the attempt to deal with the wheat trade as an isolated problem, separated as it cannot and should not be separated either from the general structure of world trade or international trade in foodstuffs as a whole.

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"For example, when wheat is dealt with separately the other great exporting countries appear to be making a concession to Canada in alloting to this country a forty per cent share of the combined exports of the four principal exporting countries. If, however, combined grain exports are considered, and account taken of the trade in such products as corn, which other countries export and Canada does not, and the export trade in meat, the Canadian share of the total is seen to be much smaller. Under certain circumstances, such as were in mind, when the Washington Wheat Agreement was drafted several years ago, there may be no escape from such assistative measures, but it is much ago, there may be no escape from such restrictive measures, but it is much to be hoped that different conditions will be found to prevail."

Dr. S. H. McClelland **Veterinary Surgeon**

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THE HYDRAULIC RAM

By L. M. KILMISTER, C.E., Mech.E., A.M. Inst. E.T., Consulting and Practising Engineer

into an unsight-ly, sticky morass. Let us see what can be done about this wasted source of power. By harnessing

the overflow to a hydraulic ram hydraulic ram
the water can be
piped to a gravity tank in the
attic of the house
and led from
there through
pipes and faucets
to kitchen and bathroom.

More than that, a flush toi-let and sink can be installed, a septic tank put in, and the country home (at least so far as the water sup-ply and sanitaply and sanita-tion are concerned) put on a par with the city

with the city residence.

Agravity tank can also be installed in the barn, the water piped down to troughs, and the stock watered without the bothersome and time wasting chore of taking the animals outside.

And now for a brief description of the hydraulic ram and the work it is prepared to perform.



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of readers of The Western
Farm Leader. The article below
is the first of a number which we
plan to publish from time to time,
which we have no doubt will also
prove of great value.—Editor.

It is really surprising how many
who are fortunate enough to
possess flowing wells make no use of
the labor-saving potentialities, to say
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A hydraulic ram consists essentially of a dome-like chamber mounted on a hollow base; a "dash" or impulse valve; an air-chamber valve; a snifting valve; a "drive" or supply pipe and a delivery pipe.

Water flowing down the supply pipe rushes into the hollow base of the ram and gushes up through the open impulse valve (which is inverted, and hangs open by its own weight) until it has attained considerable velocity, when it slams the valve shut.

The velocity attained by the water cannot be checked at once, and the water backs up in the hollow base of the ram and, pushing open the flap valve in the base of the air chamber or dome it flows upward into the latter, compressing the air that is trapped in the dome.

Gives Steady Flow of Water

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As the water rises in the air chamber, the air becomes more and more compressed and offers increasing resistance to the incoming water, until finally it expands or "rebounds", halting the incoming flow and permitting the flap valve to fall, trapping the water in the chamber and in addition forcing some of it out of the chamber and into the delivery pipe, where a check valve prevents it returning to the air chamber. The cycle is then repeated, and a steady flow of water sent along the delivery pipe.

Where a spring has a flow of two gallons per minute it will operate a No. 2 ram, and this will deliver from 12 to 15 gallons per hour, while greater flows will operate larger rams

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and will of course deliver proportionately greater amounts.

The hydraulic ram will pump water considerable distances and will elevate it 150 feet or more, the height to which the water can be pumped depending on the fall given from the source of supply to the ram.

The flow from a spring or other source of water supply can easily be determined by placing a receptacle of known capacity at the outlet, and then seeing how much water flows into it in one minute or other definite period.

Batteries of Rams

Where a large supply of water is available and where a larger amount is required than would be delivered by one ram, several rams can be hooked up to form a "battery"; each ram having a separate supply or drive pipe, but all discharging into a common delivery pipe.

Nor are hydraulic rams expensive when it is considered that they work for years for next to nothing. A No. 2 ram (less piping) costs in the neighbourhood of \$32.00, while the larger rams cost a few dollars more per size.

There is a tremendous amount of "man hours" wasted in hauling water from a source of supply that if given a chance would deliver itself. Therefore, anyone who has the potentiality for installing this time-tested and excellent little worker should by all means do so.

Shelterbelts should be considered as farm crops, to yield harvests within more or less specific periods, and to be replanted occasionally, states John

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Walker, of the Dominion Forest Nursery Station at Indian Head. Trees which have reached their maximum development should be cut down, as wood of trees cut green and properly seasoned has more fuel value than that from dead trees. By thinning out weak trees, or those whose reduced rate of growth renders them easy victims to attack by insects or disease, growth of the remaining trees is stimulated.



The **POST-WAR** RECONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA

To build a "WORK PILE"—a reservoir of jobs for our returning Active Service men and women, challenges every citizen and all forms of industry and business in Alberta. The key to post-war rehabilitation is employment.

WHAT ARE THE FACTS?

For the purpose of organizing and securing the co-operation of farmers, householders and business men, a Survey Management Committee has been set up as a FACT FINDING BODY, to seek out the location of jobs and job-making opportunities for the post-war WORK PILE. A complete and comprehensive job survey is to be made under three headings: (1) A FARM SURVEY; (2) A HOUSE-HOLDERS' SURVEY; and (3) A SURVEY OF RETAILERS, WHOLESALERS and SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS.

THE FARM SURVEY

The purpose of the Farm Survey will be: (a) To discover the changes in farm organization which have occurred in response to war-time conditions, and the expected changes in production and employment after the war; (b) To record post-war buying intentions and preferences of farm families; (c) To gather suggestions for facilitating the change-over from war-time to peace-time organization on the farm.

> 2000 farm families distributed over the Province will be interviewed and a questionnaire will be filled out.

You can help by answering the questions willingly and accurately when the representative from your Regional Survey Committee calls on you during the period from January 15th to January 31st.

> LISTEN FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OVER YOUR RADIO

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Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention

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Convention Broadcasts

January 16th, 10:45 to 11:45, CFCN and CFRN-Addresses of:

> Robt. Gardiner, President U.F.A. Mrs. Winifred Ross, President U.F.W.A. Keith Rosenberger, President Junior U.F.A.

January 17th, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.-J. E. Brownlee, K.C.

Annual Report of U.F.A. Central Co-operative Association

Address by J. G. Taggart, Chairman Agricultural Price Control Board, Tuesday, 8 p.m.

U.F.W.A. Convention

Addresses by Geo. Hoadley, Chairman Health Study Bureau, Toronto; Dean R. A. Sinclair, R. Putnam, Director, Agricultural Extension Services, Mrs. Proctor, Red Cross Society; reports of conveners; panel discussion by Alberta Advisory Committee to W.P.T.B.

Delegates are urged to make their Hotel Reservations Immediately

WAR DIARY

Dec. 14th.—Americans within 20 miles Cologne. E.L.A.S. shell British headquarters in Athens, after short lull.

Dec. 15th.—U.S. Seventh Armypenetrates German frontier, near Wissembourg and Schiebenhard. Jap
losses 82,554, U.S. 10,409 in Leyte and
Samar campaigns. Churchill supports
Russian demands for territory in prewar Poland.

Dec. 16th.—U.S. forces land on Nindoro (155 miles from Manila).

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Dec. 17th.—Germans again invade
Belgium, Luxembourg in powerful
counter-offensive, with strong air support. Allied fighters down 142 enemy
planes; R.A.F. bombs Ulm, U.S.
bombers strike Austrian targets. New
Zealand troops take Faenza. (Note:
News're German counter-offensive is
from 36 to 48 hours late when recorded
in rest of this diary, due to delay for
security reasons in time of its release.

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Dec. 18th.—Situation on Western front said "extremely fluid". Berlin claims Germans across northern Luxembourg. Weather clearing, Allied aircraft bomb Nazi columns, transport, and communications in rear. B-29's bomb targets Jap home islands.

Dec. 19th.—Fog again aids German counter-offensive enemy drives 20 miles into Belgium; very heavy fighting reported. Allied bombers strike Nazi supply lines. Russians cross into Czechoslovakia from northern Hungary. Mindoro invasion meets little resistance. Superforts from China bomb Japan. gary. Mindo resistance. S bomb Japan.

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Dec. 20th.—Americans halt one German drive into Belgium, recapture Monschau. German transport bombed in thick weather. Russians near Kassa, anchor Nazi defence line in Czechoslovakia. Tokyo again bombed.

Dec. 21st.—Nazi thrust now 35 miles into Belgium, south of Liege. Russians advance in south Slovakia. British tanks oppose Greek E.L.A.S. Superforts bomb Jap aircraft plant at Mukden.

Mukden.

Dec. 22nd.—German penetration now 40 miles deep; believed slowing down; Allied air offensive increased in better flying weather. Canadians in Italy take Bagnacavello, northeast Faenza. Russians attack in East Prussia. Superforts bomb targets in Honshu. Britain will draft another 250,000 men into army.

Dec. 23rd.—Allied headquarters re-Dec. 23rd.—Allied headquarters reports growing success in withstanding Nazi counter-offensive. Soviet commission states 700,000 tortured and killed by Nazis in Lwow; some British, American prisoners said among number. German spies captured in U.S. Lwow; some British, American prisoners said among number. German spies captured in U.S. uniform executed in Paris.

Dec. 24th.—Seven thousand Allied planes attack enemy concentrations and communications. Germans are and communications. 50 miles inside Belgium.

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Dec. 25th.—Churchill, Eden, in Athens; confer leaders Greek factions. Germans push towards Meuse in new drive. Allied airmen destroy 375 enemy planes in three days, reported. Leyte campaign said completed. Chinese announce attacks on Jap supply lines in Kwangsi. Russians cut last escape line from Budapest. Pope's Christmas message calls for democracy in government.

Dec. 26th.—Americans surrounded

racy in government.

Dec. 26th.—Americans surrounded at Bastogne, refuse surrender. Allied air offensive in fourth day.

Dec. 27th.—Greeks agree on regency. Sniper's bullet narrowly misses Churchill, on Athens street. Enemy forces in Budapest split. Americans drive deep salient into German lines; relief of Bastogne reported from Brussels. Allied bombers pound Nazi supply lines. British gains in Burma announced. Large Jap aircraft carrier, 6 warships, 20 other vessels, destroyed, states Washington. Tokyo again bombed.

The Western Farm Leader LEGAL DEPARTMENT

By HON. J. E. BROWNLEE, K.C., LL. D.

Paid-up subscribers may submit questions, to be answered free of cost in this section, but not by mail.

Replies to Inquiries

Questions re Contract

B.B.C.—(1) It is very difficult to reply satisfactorily to your first question without seeing your contract or knowing more about the foreclosure we would want to know whether any order of the Court- was obtained declaring the Agreement in default and fixing the amount due. Without this declaring the Agreement in default and fixing the amount due. Without this information we can only say that apparently your Agreement has one year to run and during that time the Vendor is entitled to receive the bushel basis each year. In other words, you as purchaser cannot insist on the one hand that the Agreement on the one hand that the Agreement is not in default and on the other hand claim the right to settle on a basis of 75 cent wheat, which only prevails in the event of default. Your letter to the Vendor's Solicitor is of no effect. to the Vendor's Solicitor is of no effect.
We think it would be to your interest
to place your Agreement and all correspondence in the hands of a responsible
Solicitor in an effort to work out a
proper settlement.
(2) Upon payment of his account
your former Solicitor should have re-

your former Solicitor should have re-turned to you all papers which he held as security for same. A letter address-ed to the Secretary of the Law Society at Edmonton will, no doubt, have the

desired result.

No Such Law in Alberta

No Such Law in Alberta

E.M.—There is no such law in Alberta as stated in your letter and we doubt very much if there is any such law in Saskatchewan. It is possible that in certain cases some such plan has been adopted through an understanding of all parties concerned and has worked out satisfactorily, but there is no legislation which definitely authorizes any such procedure. In a similar way in this Province through an understanding of all parties concerned it is quite possible that such a plan would work out satisfactorily.

Adoption Not Essential

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I.M.L.—It is not necessary to legally adopt a child in order that the child may receive the benefits of the Family Allowances' Act, passed at the last session of the Dominion Parliament. The Act specifically provides that the term "parent" shall include any person who maintains or has the custody of a child.

If it is your intention that these children shall be brought up as your own children and enjoy all the benefits of your own children, including a share in your estate, it might be a good precaution to put through adoption proceedings, as such proceedings are quite simple.

Dec. 28th.—Americans advance on both sides of enemy salient, narrow it to 20 miles at one point. Russians state entire eastern bank of Hron river, in Slovakia, cleared of Germans. In bad weather, 1,700 Allied bombers strike enemy rail centres. Churchill, Eden, return to London.

Dec. 29th.—Americans push back tip of German salient ten miles. Allied bombers continue heavy assault on Rhine area. In five days, destruction 483 enemy planes, 507 armored vehicles, reported. U.S. Navy enlarged by 39,971 new vessels in 1944, including 420 fighting ships. Russians breach inner defences Budapest.

Dec. 30th.—King George of Greece agrees to setting up of regency; Greek factions accept terms for truce in civil

Most Never Break Law Second Time

Under British criminal legis lation, juveniles are not treated as prisoners, but are sent to Borstal prisoners, but are sent to Borstal institutions where their mental, physical and moral development are supervised by specially trained staffs. According to latest reports, 63.5 per cent of the boys discharged after from one to three years of this treatment never again break the law.

war, reports Athens. Nazi salient on western front narrowed to 16 miles at one place. Allied bombers continue

western front narrowed to 10 mines at one place. Allied bombers continue heavy pounding enemy targets in Ruhr, southwest Germany.

Dec. 31st.—Germans launch new assaults on Western front. French ports of Dunkirk, Lorent, St. Nazaire, Bordeaux, still held by enemy. In New Year message Chiang Kai-Shek

New Year message Chiang Kai-Shek promises constitutional government for China before end of war.

Jan. 1st.—Allies destroy 383 Ger-man aircraft (R.C.A.F. making record bag of 42) for loss of 78 planes. Ameri-cans repulse attack against Bastogne corridor. Archbishop Damaskinos, new Greek regent, says all factions must law down arms.

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Jan. 2nd.—Germans push offensive against American lines in the Saar Valley. Time lag on news said lifted. U.S. forces gain two miles on north of Belgian salient. R.A.F., R.C.A.F., drop 6,000 tons explosives on German cities, including Berlin; U.S. bombers continue air offensive. Street fighting in Budapest in fifth day. British in Burma advance 30 miles towards

Burma advance 30 miles towards
Mandalay.

Jan. 3rd.—Americans push five miles
beyond Bastogne; Germans increase
pressure in Saar offensive. Allied
bombers continue round-the-clock attacks on enemy cities, communications, for twelfth successive day. British take Jap base in Burma.

C.N.R. to Turn Over Cash Surplus Again

The Canadian National Railways will again be in a position to turn over a cash surplus to the Federal treasury, a cash surplus to the Federal treasury, after payment of interest due to the public and to the Government, announced R. C. Vaughan, chairman and president, in his recent annual report. Gross revenues for 1944 will be on a level with those of 1943, although with increased expense due to wage increases and higher costs of materials, the net revenue will be somewhat less than in 1943.

Freight Doubled

The system is carrying twice as much freight as in the years before the war, and nearly four times as many passengers, stated Mr. Vaughan; and this without greatly adding to equipment. It is estimated that 82,000,000 tons of revenue freight were handled in 1944, and 36,000,000 passengers. Cost of living bonus and increases in wages have added \$40,000,000 to the system's payrolls, as compared with 1939, while the cost of materials has increased by \$20,000,000 since 1939. Realizing that serious economic repercussions might result, stated Mr. The system is carrying twice

repercussions might result, stated Mr. Vaughan, no application has been made for increases in freight rates or pasesnger fares.

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casters make three return flights weekly between Montreal and Scotland.
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Vitamin "A" Deficiency in Cattle

By S. H. McCLELLAND, V.S.

As winter alvances and we have a lot of young cattle on feeds of various kinds, it is advisable to remember that Vitamin A deficiency is more likely to occur in cattle than was once believed to be the case. This deficiency is of course far more likely to occur in young cattle, say up to two-year-olds, than it is in the older animals. It is even more likely to occur in weaning calves, as they pass through their first winter of life, but we have seen it in long gearling on full feed.

In this connection, remember that

In this connection, remember that about the only feeds commonly fed to

cruisers and one as an anti-aircraft

National Railways Munitions, Lim-National Kallways Munitions, Limited, a subsidiary, and the company's own shops, have continued the production of naval gun barrels, field artillery carriages and naval mount-

First Aim of System

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The first concern of the Canadian National system, in all its ramifications, declared Mr. Vaughan, is the winning of the war. At the same time, close attention is being paid to the problems of reconstruction and plans are being laid for the company's post war program. New types of passenger equipment are planned, and new services. Of the company's staff, 20,000 enlisted for active service on the war fronts. In the seven Victory Loans, employees subscribed a grand total of \$49,785,250.

The system constitutes the largest single industry in Canada, states Mr. Vaughan, and one of the most important instruments of war.

ant instruments of war.

these cattle, that carry much Vitamin A, are well cured alfalfa and other hays that have retained their bright color and have not been stored too long. Even these feeds may suffer a heavy loss of the vitamin if they have been stored too long or have not been well stored so as to keep their natural colors.

Symptoms of Deficiency

The symptoms that cattle affected with Vitamin A deficiency show as a rule are protruding eyeballs, dilated pupils of the eyes and more or less blindness that starts as night blindness or inability to see in the early morning or evening twilight, so they run into feed bunks or fences and similar things as they move about the feed lots.

as they move about the feed lots.
Young calves suffering from this deficiency may be slow to get up and weak and wobbly in their legs, and some will have convulsions and finally die if the trouble is not recognized and corrected.

and corrected.

Fattening cattle that suffer from Vitamin A deficiency may also show a condition often called anasarca or swelling of the legs or fore quarters. They also breath rapidly and usually show some stiffness and even lameness, and go off feed with of course a shrink in weight. Some of the more mature cattle may also die, and on post mortem show a large amount of oedema or dropsical swellings in the region of the brisket in both the fat and muscle.

Should Call Veterinarian

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Where any such symptoms show up in cattle and especially if they are young animals getting dry feeds, it is always advisable to call in a veterinalways advisable to call in a veterinarian to make an examination of not only the animals but the ration as well, and to get some bright green alfalfa hay or meal into the ration as soon as possible. Remembering that we sometimes have hays that look to be pretty good but seem to fail to carry the normal amount of this important vitamin, a change of roughage should be tried.



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of peace on a sound foundation that would be lasting?

The holiday season is now almost over. To some it will mean a most happy memory which they will gladly retain. Others will no doubt have found theirs tinged with sorrow, but they endeavored for the sake of others

to try and forget.

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A Holiday for Mothers?

But after all, was it really much of a holiday for some of the mothers who did the entertaining? Were there not many extras? If not, there is sure to be an accumulation which has to be faced. Would it not be well if some who had not considered the idea, decided to have a holiday themselves. There are always a multitude of reasons with some as to why it is utterly impossible for them to have one. Some may feel they lack the very essential extra expenditure it will involve in the matter of clothes or transportation or something. Others may think they are indispensable at home. Billy or George or Henry could not possibly manage to get along for themselves, especially now when there might be some of the worst cold of the winter. Or possibly little Tommy or Katy just could not be left. In fact, if a number were approached it would be quite true that with one accord they all began to make excuses.

An Excellent Idea

But if a determined effort were made, would it not be possible to achieve the

But if a determined effort were made, would it not be possible to achieve the apparently impossible? What an excellent idea it might be, for instance, to try and attend the U.F.W.A. Convention and see other women from other communities and hear them—and also some men too. You may see someone who hadn't any more new clothes than you—that is if you are on the watch, fearing yours may be very much "dated". You may meet some whose life has been and is very different from yours and you may note But if a determined effort were made, different from yours and you may note it with a sense of gratitude. But, most important, you may hear some speakers or some comments which will

most important, you may hear some speakers or some comments which will prove an inspiration to you and you will remember long, long after you have gone home.

Ther may be other members of the family who attend the Convention and make the family contribution. If that is the case, would it not be a wise thing to get out of your rut and take a holiday some other time? And, if seriously viewed from many angles, it still seems impossible, how about letting things go for a time and do a little visiting in your own community? Surely someone will be glad to see you and you glad to see some? How about slacking it and doing some reading or something you have been wanting to do?

But, best of all, how about making that extra effort this year and going to the Convention, knowing that you will both give encouragement by your presence and you will receive benefit. And knowing also that home and the family will seem all the dearer by the time you return.

family will several time you return.
Yours sincerely,
H. ZELLA SPENCER.

Starline U.F.W.A. (Claresholm) have undertaken to help sponsor a clinic for pre-school rural children.

New Type Plywood House

Constructed chiefly of Canadian birch, a new type of plywood house is being exhibited in Britain. It is prefabricated, in eight sections, and is designed to be erected on a pre-cast concrete base. It takes 800 man-hours in the factory to make such a house, and 200 man-hours at the site of erection. Built with an inner and outer plywood layer glued to an insulating core, the house consumes less timber than a conventional brick house of similar size.

Farm Home and Garden

Winter Salads: of raw or raw and cooked vegetables can often substitute for the second vegetable at dinner, or supplement the main supper or luncheon dish. Ingredients should be cut small enough to be handled with a fork and large enough to retain their individuality. Use celery, raw carrots, etc., for crispness; grated raw carrot, heets and unpeeled apples, chopped parsley or a sprinkle of pimento give color. Avoid watery salads; toss with a fork to avoid breaking ingredients; and keep cold until ing ingredients; and keep cold until served.

Red Cabbage Salad: Chop 4 slices bacon, cooked and cooled; mix with 3 cups shredded red cabbage, 1 cup thinly sliced celery, 3 tbs. minced onion. Blend 1 tbs. peanut butter with 3 tbs. French salad dressing, and add to vegetables.

Glazed Onions: Cut 4 medium onions in quarter-inch slices; place in a large greased pan, sprinkle with salt and pepper, add 2 ths. water; cover and bake until tender. Sprinkle with 1 ths. honey, and dot with butter (2 tsp.). Return to oven, uncovered, for 10 minutes, basting at least once.

Gingersnaps: Heat 2/3 cup molasses to boiling point, pour over 1/3 cup shortening. Add 2 cups flour, sifted with 2 tsp ginger, 1/2 tsp. each salt and soda. Chill, roll and cut out. Bake in moderate oven.

MONDAY

The Western Farm Leader PATTERN DEPARTMENT



Your serap bag will supply pieces for this basket applique quilt. Blocks are eleven inches square, and four pattern pieces are used in the design, with touches of embroidery. Pattern 7304 includes block chart, pattern pieces, directions and yardage chart. Price of pattern, 20 cents.

More Washing Machines for Rural Areas Than Before War to Be Made in 1945

Washing machines of the gasoline driven type, suitable for use in rural areas without electricity, will constitute about 15 per cent of the washing machine production in Canada during the first six months of 1945. This, it is stated, will be a larger production then in preswar years than in pre-war years.

In honor of the founding of the co-operative movemen in Rochdale, England, in 1844, and of its pioneers in other countries, the Swedish Co-operative Union recently unveiled a granite monument near Stockholm.

WEDNESDAY

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TUESDAY

12:00	News	News	News
12:30	Prairie Farm Broadcast	Prairie Farm Broadcast	Prairie Farm Broadcast
5:00	Salon Musicale	Fairy Tales	Intermezzo
5:30	French I Correspondence	Songs For You	French II Correspondence
7:00	Music Hour	Music Hour	Music Hour
8:00	News	News	News
8:30	French Adult Education	Make Way for Tomorrow	Theatre Time
9:15	Farm and Home	Citizens Forum	Farm and Home
12:00 12:30	THURSDAY News Prairie Farm Broadcast	FRIDAY News Prairie Farm Broadcast	SATURDAY 11:45—News 12:00—Met. Opera
5:00	Alouette Quartet	Fairy Tales	3:00—Musical Program
5:30	French III Corresp.	Songs for You	SUNDAY
7:00	Music Hour	Music Hour	12:00—News
8:00	News	News	12:30—Religious Period
8:30	Victor Record Album	Eventide	1:00-New York Phil
9:15	Drama	Farm and Home	2:30—Church of the Air

Noted Speakers Will Convention at Edmonton After their last business meeting, Browning Juniors enjoyed a Treasure Trail quiz contest. Address U.F.W.A. Annual

Among the outstanding speakers who have accepted invitations to address the Annual Convention of the United the Annual Convention of the United Farm Women of Alberta in Edmonton this month are Hon. George Hoadley, Chairman of the Health Study Bureau of Toronto; Dean R. A. Sinclair of the University of Alberta; R. Puttam, Director of Alberta Government Agri-cultural Extension Services; Mrs.

cultural Extension Services; Mrs. Frank Conroy, chairman of the Alberta Advisory Committee to the Wartime Prices and Trade Board; and Mrs. Proctor, of the Red Cross Society.

Reports of the U.F.W.A. conveners on the topics selected by the organization for especial study will be featured on the program. Thursday afternoon will be given over to discussion of Junior U.F.A. work; Keith Rosenberger, Junior President, will be chairman.

chairman

On Wednesday afternoon there will be an interesting Demonstration meeting, "How It's Done"; and on Friday at four o'clock, there will be a tea on the mezzanine floor, for U.F.W.A. delegates and visitors.

The Convention will be held in conjunction with the U.F.A. Convention, in the Madconald Hotel, Edmonton, January 16th to 19th, inclusive.

News of U.F.W.A. Locals

In aid of the Red Cross, Browning U.F.W.A. (Edgerton) recently arranged a sale and social evening.

Members of Rolling Hills U.F.W.A. decided recently to write letters to boys from the district serving in the

Elmworth U.F.W.A. recently enjoyed a talk by their directors, Mrs. V. Flint, writes the secretary, Mrs. M. B. Pandachuk.

More scholarships and bursaries for University students were advocated at a recent meeting of Starline U.F. W.A. (Claresholm).

Problems connected with the Japanese population of Canada were discussed by speakers at a recent meeting of Nanton U.F.W.A.

Ten Christmas parcels were sent overseas by Sunnyvale U.F.W.A. (Edgerton) as well as letters and cigarettes.

Rosemoyne U.F.W.A. (Edgerton) take up a silver collection for the Red Cross at every meeting. Their Christmas dance made a profit of

Proceeds of a bingo party and rummage sale, held jointly by Asker U.F.Λ. and U.F.W.A. have made it

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Junior News Items

Scandia Juniors are continuing their Athletic Club during the winter, writes Lawrence Johnson.

Lawrence Proudfoot was the organizer of a new Junior U.F.A. Local in the Lacombe district, to be named "Lakeside". Bill Henderson and Alberta Mae Henderson are the officers.

Roll call at the annual meeting of Balzac Junior U.F.A. was answered by suggestions for raising money; the suggestion by Arnold Jones, to have a variety radio show, was voted the

Hills Juniors plan badminton at the community hall on the first Sunday of each month, writes Elizabeth Clark. They have decided to help the U.F.A. Local to advertise their dance, instead of putting on another one.

possible to instal a lighting plant in the Community Hall, reports Mrs. A. H. Ravnsborg.

Hazel Bluff U.F.W.A. (Westlock) are holding dinner meetings during the winter, each member paying 25 cents, which is donated to the Prisoners of War Fund.

A demonstration on Home Decorating, by Miss Anderson, was sponsored recently by Camrose U.F.W.A. At their last meeting, the roll call was answered by donations of stools or chairs.

In addition to giving a card party and dance in aid of the Prisoners of War Fund, Standard U.F.W.A. have assisted the Salvation Army and the Junior U.F.A., writes Mrs. Tena

An auction sale conducted by Arbor Park U.F.W.A. (Menaik) brought in \$18, which was devoted to buying-treats for the school children. There was an exchange of gifts at the December meeting.

Gleichen U.F.W.A. decided to sell the quilt which they have made for the Handicrafts Exhibit at the Annual Convention, devoting proceeds to the Prisoners of War Fund. During the year, they have made 24 quilts for the Red Cross, in addition to other articles

Alex Calhoun, Librarian of the Cal-gary Public Library, was the guest speaker at the annual dinner of High River U.F.W.A., husbands of members being guests. Mayor Mac-Leod brought greetings from the town, and Mrs. Randle presided. At the annual meeting, which followed, reports showed 64 paid up members, with an average attendance of meetings of 35.

Acquire Tract of Timber --- Operate Shingle Mill

VANCOUVER, B.C.—The International Lumbering Association, which was set up early in 1944 by a number of U.S. and Canadian regional coperatives, to manufacture cedar shingles, has now acquired a tract of virgin timber containing about 100,000,000 feet of timber, chiefly cedar. The sum of \$135,000 was paid for the tract, and the shingle mill purchased last February, cost \$200,000, and has been in production since then.

LONDON.—In one month 3,438 aircaft were received from Britain at an RAF airfield somewhere in Belgium. In the same period more than 7,000 tons of freight were handled, 4,280 passengers received and de-4,280 passengers received and despatched, and 7,200 casualties evacuated to England.

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A.F.A. Proposals

Among proposals of the Annual Convention of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, in addition to those reported in our last issue, were the following:

Extension to producers feeding their own grains of the price benefits of equalization payments for oats and barley, "through increases in the returns for grain-fed animal" was asked, in view of the circumstance that those who feed grain to their own livestock are now penalized.

Continuance of the embargo on barley shipments in Southern Alberta

Continuance of the embargo on barley shipments in Southern Alberta until adequate supplies are assured, was asked.

Poultry Export Market

In view of the fact that Britain has its own plans for expansion of the poultry industry by returned soldiers after the war, the Dominion Govern-ment was asked to extend credits to other countries in need of poultry products

Seek More Research

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Establishment near the University, with Alberta Government funds, of a poultry—plant with laboratory on a par with the best facilities in other Provinces, was asked. Extension of University and Department of Agriculture facilities for research work in diseases and breeding of swine and other animals was sought.

The Federal Government was asked to establish more markets for specialized irrigation crops,

Amendment of the constitution of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, with a view eventually to forming a division for each commodity interest, with a specialized secretary with headquarters at Ottawa, was recommended, and a budget of \$5,500 as Alberta's

share of the C.F.A. budget was agreed

Setting of an official floor price level for eggs above the present prices, was asked.

Setting up of a joint committee of the C.F.A. and the Dairy Farmers of Canada, to find a basis for complete amalgamation,—was recommended.

Other Resolutions

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The Convention also asked the
Dominion Government to retain the
present initial prices on all grains,
including equalization, payments, for
1945-46; asked A.F.A. Board to obtain
an estimate of the savings possible if
all creameries adopted a system of
hi-monthly payments; requested the an estimate of the savings possible if all creameries adopted a system of bi-monthly payments; requested the oil controller to allow farmers to buy gasoline by the barrel on surrendering coupons; asked Dominion to provide for a system of stamping the grade on the carcass of every hog when slaughtered; asked that Thanksgiving Day be deferred at least a month; asked raising of the minimum income on which a married man pays income tax from \$1200 to at least \$2000; asked that a carryover of losses within a period of any three consecutive years be permitted in calculating farm income tax; asked the Dominion Government to establish immediately just relationship between prices received for farm products and costs of goods and services entering into farm production; sought cut in express rates on breeding stock (purebred); asked more attention be given to scientific agriculture and building of processing plants in rural areas after the war; asked restoration of standard time in Alberta, or (the same thing) adoption here of Pacific daylight time.

Namao U.F.W.A. recently sponsored a card party to raise funds for the Prisoners of War fund.

College for Britain

Agriculture has played in agricultural affairs, both nationally and internationally, is illustrated by the fact that it now has representation on no fewer than 15 Government Advisory Boards at Ottawa, while President H. H. Hannam is chairman of the over-all advisory committee to the Canadian Food Board and the Federal Minister of Agriculture. Mr. Hannam was a member of the Canadian delegation to the international food conference. Seven of the Executive of the Federation, including the President, took part in the proceedings. Post-war planning in agriculture, with all that it involves, will loom large in the proceedings at Regina. Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Dominion Minister of Agriculture; Dr. H. R. Tolley, head of the Bureau of Economics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture; J. G. Taggart, chairman of the Floor Prices Board; F. S. Grisdale, Deputy Foods Co-ordinator; Dr. A. E. Richards, Secretary, Canadian Food Board, will be among those who will either themselves speak or attend to deal with matters brought up by delegates. Colin G. Groff of Ottawa is Secretary-Tressurer.

To Establish Aeronautical U. F.A. Convention to Discuss Problems of

LONDON, Jan. 3rd.—Sir Stafford Cripps, Minister of Aircraft Production, has announced the Government's acceptance in principle of the recommendation of a special committee for the creation of an aeronautical college. The committee proposes a capital outlay of nearly \$10,000,000, and an annual expenditure of \$1,440-000. The primary purpose of the college will be to provide high grade engineering, technical and scientific training in aeronautics to fit students for leadership in the aircraft industry, in civil aviation, the services, education and research.

FARM CONVENTIONS
(Continued from page 1)
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Discuss Problems of Post-War Agriculture

Post-war problems of Canadian Agriculture will undoubtedly form one of the major subjects for discussion at the forthcoming Annual Convention of the United Farmers of Alberta, to be held in the Macdonald Hotel, address of Hon. J. G. Taggart, Chairman of the Agricultural Prices Control Board, to be heard on Tuesday evening, will no doubt be concerned in ground affairs, both nationally and internationally, is illustrated by the fact that it now has representation on no fewer than 15 Government Advisory Boards at Ottawa, while President

post-war reconstruction.

Tuesday morning and afternoon sessions will be devoted to consideration of addresses by the Presidents of the U.F.A. (Mr. Gardiner), U.F.W.A., (Mrs. Ross), and Junior Branch (Mr. Rosenberg), all to be broadcast, consideration of the Board Report and Financial Statement. Then will follow the report of the Board of the U.F.A. Central Co-operative.

Elect President Wednesday

Nominations for the Presidency will be received at noon Wednesday, election to follow at 2 p.m. Mr. Gardiner has signified his intention not to be a candidate: Election of Vice-President follows.

Vice-President follows.

Thursday morning reports will be heard from the various major farmer co-operatives, and in the afternoon Directors will be elected.

There will be a dance for delegates and visitors on Thursday evening.

Among resolutions on the subject of the organization is one from Strathmore proposing permanent member-

C.C.I.L. to Set Up Alberta Committee

Setting up of a small advisory committee representative of major farm co-operatives in Alberta, to assist in Alberta organization of Canadian Co-operative Implements, Ltd., and raising of capital, was agreed upon at a meeting held in Calgary late in December, when John B. Brown of Regina, President of the Company, conferred in Calgary with a number of leaders in these farm co-operatives in this Province.

Mr. Brown advised The Western Farm Leader that it has been decided to open offices in Calgary and Edmonton, in connection with the organizational work.

At a conference with the three Prairie Governments and principal Western Co-operatives in Winnipeg last fall, Directors of C.C.I.L. agreed to launch a campaign to secure a

last fall, Directors of C.C.I.L. agreed to launch a campaign to secure a membership of 50,000 and cash capital of \$1,000,000. On the reasonable attainment of this objective the Governments and Co-operatives agreed to advance \$1,000,000, which with the \$250,000 to be loaned by Governments to assist in the purchase of the Gregg plant in Winnipeg (report of this appeared in The Leader) would provide a total capital of \$2,250,000, which is considered adequate. In Saskatchewan and Manitoba substantial sums have since been raised. Two questions are often raised.

stantial sums have since been raised, said Mr. Brown: (1) How soon will it be possible to get machinery? and (2) what kind will it be? "The answer to (1) is that it depends on the farmers joining up in sufficient numbers, and as to (2) we expect to make an arrangement with an established manufacturer, and the machines handled by this corporation will be handled by this corporation will be built in accordance with the require-ments of farmers themselves as to design."

ship at \$10 per farmer (another asso-ciation proposes \$5) an additional \$5 to give permanent membership to the farmer's wife.

Many Important Resolutions

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Many important Resolutions

Many important resolutions on Federal subjects have been submitted for consideration; several calling for effective measures to ensure rehabilitation of returned men—to enable those whose education was interrupted to complete it; also to ensure cash or land grant for each veteran, the land grant to be "free of interference of any kind from the S.S.B."

It is asked in another resolution that every Canadian who reaches the age of sixty-five shall thereupon become eligible for a pension of \$60 a year for life; while another asks reduction of pension age to sixty.

Other resolutions, many of which have been given publicity in The Western Farm Leader when adopted by Locals or District Associations during the past year, deal with a multitude of important issues—marketing of farm products, opposition to international cartels; rural electrification; school problems and the school curriculum, and other subjects.

Highest fine for offenses against

Highest fine for offenses against W.P.T.B. regulations in December were \$300 and costs to an Edmonton

The U.S. is recommending reduction of 6 per cent in beef cattle numbers in 1945.

The Centenary film Men of Rochdale, made by the Co-operative Wholesale Society (English) Film Unit, is to be distributed in many countries, including Russia, Sweden, and the countries of America.

With the object of determining the advantages of mechanization over present methods of cultivation, an experiment in rice growing is being carried out on about 12,000 acres of land in British Guiana. Based on efficient drainage and irrigation, large-scale mechanized operation and modern centralized milling, the experiment has been under way for several months.

The Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT. Superintendent of Publicity, Alberta Wheat Pool

Official estimates of wheat production in Argentina and Australia gives the figure of 166 million bushels for the former and 50 million for the latter, a grand total of 216 million bushels. This is a very low wheat outturn for the two southern hemisphere countries which usually produce an average the two southern hemisphere countries which usually produce an average wheat crop of around 375 million bushels between them. The Australian crop of only fifty million bushels was one of the poorest that commonwealth has ever raised. A most disastrous drought was the cause of the crop failure and widespread and intense dust storms have created a great deal of demage.

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North America, on the other hand, has come through 1944 with one of its big crops. The combined production of Canada and the United States is in excess of 1,560 million bushels of which over 1,100 million bushels were produced in the United States. North America thus possesses the only sizeable surplus of wheat in the world.

Efforts to Reduce Carry Over

With the possibility of the European war drawing to an end in 1945, Canada is quite anxious to get rid of much of her wheat supplies in order that the carry-over may be brought down to moderate figures. So far this crop year exports have been fairly heavy and the Wheat Board is doing its best to get as much wheat as possible moved eastward so that it will be in a readily marketable position.

The United States has at least 100 million bushels of wheat available for export and is bonusing such shipments

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The weather in Western Canada has turned colder. Alberta had some light snow during the past week. Heavy snows have fallen on the U.S. mid-west winter wheat belt affording good protection for the crop.

Livestock Markets Repiew

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CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Jan.
2nd.—The cattle market is active at
steady prices. Hogs closed last week
at \$16.35 Grade A, yards and plants,
Good lambs \$11.50, good to choice
butcher steers \$11 to \$11.75, common
to medium \$9 to \$10.75; good to
choice butcher heifers \$10 to \$10.75,
common to medium \$8.50 to \$9.50;
good cows \$8 to \$8.50, common to
medium \$6.50 to \$7.50; good bulls
\$6.50 to \$7, common to medium \$5
65; good calves \$9.50 to \$10, down to
\$7.50 for common kinds; good stocker
and feeder steers \$9 to \$9.50, common
to medium \$7.50 to \$8.50.

The Dairy Market

The ceiling price of 35 cents for butter prevails throughout Canada. Local butterfat is 32c, plus 10c subsidy.

Vancouver solids-35 cents.

Calgary Horse Sale and. Bull Sale in March

Calgary's spring Horse Sale will be held March 12th, 13th and 14th, entries closing February 10th; the annual spring Bull Sale and Baby Beef and Farm Stock Show on March 19th to 23rd; and the annual spring Horse Show April 4th to 7th, it is announced by J. Charles Yule, secretary of the Alberta Livestock Associations, Calgary.



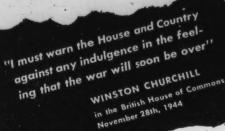
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NOTE FOR THE POULTRY COMMISSIONER

This column took 40 six-month old chickens to a Calgary dealer the other week and received the magnificent sum of \$10.32 for the lot.

It's time in our opinion that an official inquiry was made into the grading methods of some of these private dealers.

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But I was born a likely lad,
And lucky from the start;
I never saw my mother's eyes,
A war cry at her heart.
—Jeanette Shelley, Colorado

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH Nobody can write the music for the March of Time.

And, murmurs Knotty Frankie, speaking of family allowances, undoubtedly it will be the babies who will do the squawking and they haven't got votes.

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Perhaps some orthodox financier will tell us when the dreaded "flight from currency" is likely to begin.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

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Than the dear hand I held last night—Four aces and a King.—Contributed.

"Stand behind your lover," thundered the Scotsman to his unfaithful wife. "I'm going to shoot you both."—Florida Orange Peel.

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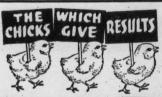
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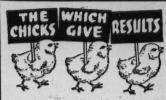
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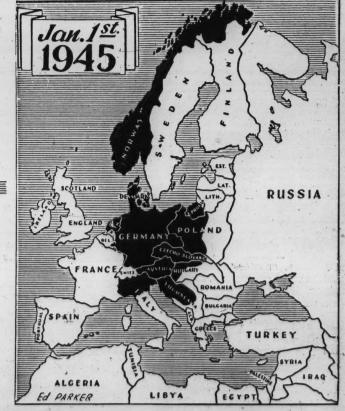


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